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Allies Make Slight Gains In France

Panzer Thrusts By Rommel Fail To Smash Line

SHAFF, July 12—Shaking off a series of the most determined counterattacks yet launched by the Germans in Normandy, Allied troops pressed forward along the entire front today to register slight gains.

Although the fighting north-east and southwest of Caen is see-sawing back and forth, the desperate attempts of Field Marshal Erwin Rommel's panzer forces to affect a breakthrough have so far been unsuccessful.

PIVOTAL POSITIONS

Front-line dispatches indicate that the Germans are putting a high premium on their pivotal position around Caen. It is becoming obvious that once the British and Canadians are able to ford the 125-foot-wide Orne River, which runs in a south-westerly direction through Caen, Rommel will either have to face a large-scale armored clash or withdraw his entire line in order to protect his flank.

German efforts to regain lost ground are costing them heavily. The Allies, it was said, have knocked out 80 enemy tanks in the Caen sector in the past 72 hours.

Despite their losses, the Germans were able to fight their way back into Louvigny which the Canadians captured the day before. The high ground to the west, known as Hill 112, changed hands several times yesterday. The Germans threw in waves of infantry only to have them chopped down by British units. But they kept coming back and

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2 Senators Renamed

Stars and Stripes U. S. Bureau

WASHINGTON, July 12—Renominations of Sens. Elmer Thomas (D.) of Oklahoma and Charles W. Tobey (R.) of New Hampshire and victory of CIO-endorsed Mayor Maurice J. Tobin of Boston for the Massachusetts Democratic nomination for governor highlighted yesterday's primary returns from six states, the Associated Press reported.

Tuesday's voting, which also included primaries in Michigan, Washington and Utah brought defeat for Republican Gov. Robert O. Blood of New Hampshire in his bid for party endorsement for a third term.

Forty-three-year-old Mayor Tobin led Francis X. Hurley, state treasurer and avowed opponent of the Roosevelt administration 110,941 to 67,378, on the basis of almost complete returns. Republican Gov. Arthur B.

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Drought Perils B-29 Production

CLEVELAND, July 12—Cleveland's 17th day of drought yesterday brought predictions of closed production lines at the Fisher Body aircraft plant which produces subassemblies for B-29s. Officials said that unless the water supply of the city mains is increased within the next two days production must shut down completely and asked its 10,000 employees to bring their own drinking water.

PRUSSIAN MILITARIST



NO LONGER HAUGHTY, a German officer pulls up his trousers to display his wound while Nazi soldiers pull him on a cart through the streets of Cherbourg after the port fell. (PWB Photo)

Road To Berlin Getting Shorter

NEW YORK, July 12—Mileages on the routes Allied armies are traveling to Berlin, Associated Press reported, now read: Russian front—470 miles, measured in direct line from a point just north of Kovel in Poland.

Italian front—610 miles, from a point near Ancona on the Adriatic.

Normandy front—635 miles, from Caen.

Ten Miles To Leghorn

ADVANCED ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, July 12—American occupation of Castiglione on the Tyrrhenian coast, ten miles south of Leghorn, and establishment of an 8th Army bridgehead over the Nestore River, southeast of Arezzo, were announced today.

The going was very tough in the 5th Army sector. The Germans counterattacked strongly against the Americans northeast of Laticcio, but the effort was repulsed without loss of ground. Troops moving north from Casale toward Pastina also ran into fierce opposition from reinforced German units.

The Germans were reported making determined efforts to turn the 8th Army's left flank south of Civitella. Here a counterattack in company strength was repulsed, as was another attack south of Arezzo.

East of this hot sector 8th Army tanks crossed the Nestore on a six-mile front and took the villages of Meone, Morra and Mucignano, and 3,000-foot Monte Civitella, about five miles south of Highway 73 which runs from east to west through Arezzo.

The going was a bit easier in the Adriatic sector where the enemy made some slight withdrawals from north of the Muro River. Allied artillery was zeroed in, meanwhile, on targets in the Ancona area, still about eight miles from our most forward positions.

Temper Explained

LONDON, July 12—The proverbial flaming temper of persons with red hair may be due to rheumatic twinges, the British Medical Journal declared today. Experienced physicians, the journal reported, believe red-haired persons are unduly susceptible to acute rheumatism.

Libs Renew French Run

MAAF HEADQUARTERS, July 12—Four rail targets in southern France were bombed today by medium forces of American Liberators making their second flight to France in two days, it was announced late this afternoon.

Good results were reported at the Nîmes rail yards, on the line controlling traffic from the Italian frontier and from Toulon, Marseille and the Rhone valley; the Miramas yards, and the Theole sur Mer rail bridges on the Riviera route into Italy.

It was reported that the Liberators and their fighter escorts encountered some enemy opposition.

The heaviest force of Mitchells to hit a single target in some months yesterday dropped about 200 tons of bombs on the big rail yards at Alessandria, pivotal point of the Turin-Milan-Genoa industrial area.

They piled up more than 400 rail cars in twisted wreckage, touched off explosions in a munitions plant near the yards and hit the rail station. Other Mitchells hit a rail bridge at Ceva.

It was announced today that the Mustang fighter group commanded by Lt. Col. Robert Levine, Columbus, Ohio, destroyed 166 enemy planes between May 10 and July 10.

Battalion Litter Bearers Felt 'They Had To Take Chance'

By Sgt. PAUL S. GREEN
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

WITH THE 5TH ARMY, July 12—Maybe litter bearers aren't supposed to go out ahead of company lines to pick up the wounded under fire, but they do it time and time again, like the battalion medics with a division company in recent fighting on the bloody road to Florence.

The company was assaulting a town and ran into a heavy counterattack. They needed seven litter squads but only four were available and the four-man squads soon reached the scene of action.

The infantrymen told them to get behind a knoll and stay there for a while because the wounded were lying in full view of the enemy in a bullet-swept area. Three company aid men had already been hit in that spot.

The litter bearers held a whispered conversation and decided to brave the withering fire.

Russians Open New Offensive

Red Army Pushes 30 Miles Along 90-Mile Baltic Front

MOSCOW, July 12—Soviet armies opened a new offensive today on a front of 90 miles northwest of Novosokolniki, aimed at wiping out the last Nazi pocket in Russia.

Price Ceilings Set In Rome To Help GIs

ROME, July 12—In order that the GI may be sure of receiving full value for the money he spends, a civilian agency under the direction of AMG has been set up to control prices of all types of merchandise in the Rome area, Col. Charles Poletti, Regional Commissioner, announced today.

In some cases "Off Limits" signs will be displayed in shops not cooperating and soldiers are warned not to patronize them. As soon as possible, the civilian price control board will publish maximum price lists. The first businesses for which lists will be issued are restaurants and bars, barber shops, laundries and dry cleaning establishments.

MUST TAG GOODS

Effective immediately, all shops must display price lists in a prominent place and all goods must be tagged with the proper prices. No merchant may sell at a higher price than set by the board or at a price higher than that posted on the wall of his shop. In cases where no set prices has been fixed, the board may bring charges against a store for asking more than the product is worth.

Violators of these laws may be prosecuted in AMG courts, which Col. Poletti indicated would be "very tough" with offenders.

Bataan Victory

NASHVILLE, Tenn., July 12—Bataan and most of the Philippines will be in American hands by Nov. 11 this year, National Commander Warren H. Atherton of the American Legion predicted here yesterday.

In a special order of the day, Marshal Joseph Stalin announced opening of the new drive and capture of Idritsa, important railway junction 30 miles from the starting point and less than 15 miles from the Latvian border.

The offensive appeared to be the northern arm of a developing pincers movement on Dvinsk, Latvia's second largest city.

Russian columns driving west from Lida were reported within 45 miles of East Prussia and the thunder of Soviet artillery could be heard on German soil.

HIGHWAY CUT

In the north other Soviet armies, fanning out into Lithuania and Latvia, cut the Dvinsk-Kaunas highway in a drive apparently aimed at Riga and the Baltic Sea 125 miles away.

Northwest and southwest of beleaguered Vilna, 100 Lithuanian towns and villages fell to the advancing Russians yesterday. Within the city the battle of annihilation went on without letup as the Soviets increased pressure on the trapped German garrison.

At the southern end of the front, Soviet forces drove through the Pripet Marshes to within seven miles of Pinsk and the battle for the city was expected to be joined momentarily.

The Russians announced they had completed liquidation of encircled Germans east of Minsk on the 19th day of their tremendous offensive. The last formation of 2,000 Nazis surrendered. Reuter's hailed the victory as "one of the

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Munich Hit Second Day

LONDON, July 12—American bombers pounded Munich again today. A force of more than 750 Fortresses and Liberators roared across southern Germany only 24 hours after 1,100 U. S. planes attacked targets in the Munich area.

It was also announced that Tuesday's raid cost the Americans 20 heavy bombers. Seven American bombers were forced down in Swiss territory and the crews were interned.

Between these two raids, British Mosquitos of the Bomber Command carried out without loss an attack on an industrial objective in the Ruhr last night.

On the Normandy Peninsula, fighters and fighter bombers furnished close support to the ground troops.

You Can Forget Rationing Now

CLEVELAND, July 12—A process for making oil and coal from forest, farm and sea plants—enough to supply the world's needs—has been developed by the American Chemical Society, Associated Press said today.

The process telescopes with heat and pressure into a few hours what nature took millions of years to do in forming oil and coal.

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MAIL CALL

Chow Hound

Dear Editor:

In a recent article which appeared in this column, a certain Pfc. Nicholas Mazzione boastfully exploited his accomplishment, as he modestly described it, of devouring 17 meat balls, four slices of bread, a messkit filled with pineapples and four cups of lemonade.

He even went so far as to brag about this feat. He all but openly flung out a challenge to any GI who could equal or beat his brilliant performance of gluttonous consumption.

To us modest Joes on the front lines, this act of Mazzione caused something more than amazement. He must not have been as "burned out" of C and K rations as we are. Where, may I ask, with honest frankness, can a fighting man up front be fortunate enough to secure 17 meat balls? Just what kind of an outfit is Mazzione with? He must be attached to a mobile field kitchen, which is certainly necessary to a person blessed with such a ravenous appetite, such chow-houndish tactics.

—Pvt. Carl E. Hertz

Further Explanation

Dear Editor:

Let me put in my two cents' worth concerning the formation of the 85th and 88th Divisions, especially as you said in a recent Mail Call that you obtained your information from 5th Army Public Relations.

Our information came from histories supplied us by each division.

The 85th Infantry Division history says:

"On the 15th of May, 1942 the 85th Division was reactivated at Camp Shelby, Miss., under the command of Maj. Gen. Wade H. Haislip. The cadre consisted of Regular Army, National Guard and Reserve officers; and an enlisted cadre from the 2nd Division.

The division trained at Shelby under the command of General Haislip until 21 February, 1943, when Maj. Gen. John B. Coulter, the present commander, succeeded General Haislip as divisional commander when the latter left to take command of the XV Corps."

The 88th Infantry Division history says:

"The 88th was activated at Camp Gruber, Cookson Hills near Muskogee, Okla., on July 15, 1942, with an officer backbone of Regulars, Reserves and National Guardsmen and an enlisted cadre from the 9th Infantry Division of Fort Bragg, N. C., a division which later participated in the North Africa and Sicily campaigns.

"Maj. Gen. John E. Sloan of Greenville, S. C., one of the few high-ranking Army officers who graduated from the U. S. Naval Academy and a veteran of 31 years in the Coast and Field Artillery, was assigned to command the 88th."

These histories constitute the only information that we have issued to the press on the forming of the 85th and 88th Divisions. Could it be, to quote your own words, that Stars and Stripes itself made "a hell of an error."

—Kenneth W. Clark

Lt. Col. A. U. S.

Public Relations Officer

Could be. The Stars and Stripes seems to have unintentionally given the Regulars too little credit, while some of our correspondents from the 85th and 88th neglected the Guard. Col. Clark's letter makes it clear that credit and congratulations are due all round.—Editor.

On Guard. Men

Dear Editor:

We have just read your article in Mail Call, July 5 issue, titled: "Not Guardsmen." I and my buddies can't see where any member of the 85th or 88th has any call to write in about being called a National Guardsman.

Almost every man, including myself, is a Guardsman in my regiment and we are darn proud of it. We probably have more time in foxholes than what either the 85th or 88th has time in the Army.

When they have been in as much as the former Guardsmen over here now, who have fought all the way from Oran to where we are in Italy, when they have as much time in combat as us, then they can complain. Until then, let them keep quiet.

—T-5 Charles Childers

Italian Students Learn English From GIs And Stump Teacher

By Pvt. EDMUND F. HOGAN
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

ROME, July 12 — Miss Yole DeBoni screwed up her eyebrows and admitted quite frankly that she was nettled. Miss DeBoni teaches English to a class of 11 in a Rome language school and lately her boys and girls have been giving out with a strange patois that sounds little like the homework she assigns.

From the start of the class last Dec. 15 to the first week in June, the students were "on the ball," Miss DeBoni implied. Since then, she sighed, things haven't been quite the same.

The class was seated along the rim of a rectangular table. One of the pretty 18-year-old twin signorinas at the far end coyly revealed she'd had a couple of dates with American soldiers. And would Miss DeBoni please explain what the GI boy friend meant when he told the horn-happy driver to "blow it out your barracks bag." Miss DeBoni ruffled the pages of her Italian-American dictionary. She was sorry, she said, but the reference book didn't list the idiom.

A 25-year-old Roman had been

with two GIs on a tour of historic sites. He remembered one had suggested to his buddy, "That's T. S. See the chaplain." Would Miss DeBoni please interpret? Miss DeBoni wasn't sure what the "T. S." implied, although she thought it meant something like "that's too bad." As for the chaplain, that was very good indeed. The chaplain, she informed the pupils, is a clergyman and he gives spiritual assistance and guidance to the troops. Seeing the chaplain, Miss DeBoni added, proved beyond doubt that U. S. soldiers have excellent morals.

The lesson for the day included reading from an English-language paper. The pupils had copies of Union Jack. Miss DeBoni explained that they had read Stars and Stripes for a time after the Allied entry into Rome, but she had to switch because Stars and Stripes is written in "American slang."

A boy from Nettuno, the proud possessor of a cigarette lighter a GI had given him, ended The Stars and Stripes vs Union Jack

discussion by asking a question. In answer Miss DeBoni hastily picked up a pad in front of her. "It's a section of paper, like this one," she said, pointing to the square of white. "Or it can be a covering on the bed." Rising, she turned to the blackboard and spelled the word out in very large letters.

The boy was pleased. But he didn't know what the GI was driving at when he exploded, "My tired back."

That was a new one on Miss DeBoni but she guessed it meant the GI was weary and his back hurt. Miss DeBoni's head had begun to hurt, too.

But the class had been studying cities in the U. S. and knew about New York. "New York," chirped the striking brunette in white, "is the port for Brooklyn."

Miss DeBoni's headache was growing larger. "It's just the other way around," she informed the brunette gently.

The bell rang. Miss DeBoni made a beeline for her office and possibly for aspirin.

Lost And Found

Hep cats and boogie-boys, there's a bull-fiddle in good condition for sale. If you decide to have a jam-session, you can get a trombone and clarinet, also, practically dirt cheap from Capt. U. B. Gocser. Get in touch with the captain through Lost and Found.

If you see a small black dog whose lower jaw is shorter than the upper one, giving an appearance of being buck-toothed, please let Lt. Garfinkle know. The dog is probably his pet, "Nigger."

To an unknown Air Corps officer who claimed a group of photos from a shop in Caserta: Pvt. C. B. Duncan would like his prints, sir. Yours are still at the photographers.

FOUND

A brown leather wallet belonging to Herman H. Miller, 20522742, Billfold belonging to Cpl. Prudent D. Baete, 37038217.

Picture folder, with three photos of a young girl. She's wearing two gardenias in her hair, simple white dress with a double strand of beads. Soldier's pay book. Theodore Caselli, 32994477.

Driver's permit, issued to Pvt. Natividad B. Corral, 39117542.

A pair of GI glasses left in a truck en route to Bari. May be claimed at the Red Cross club, in Cerignola.

WALLETS LOST

Black pinseal wallet, lost on drive to Rome. Sgt. Theodore Tangarone. Photos and passes in a pocketbook. Finder may keep money. Cpl. Russell M. Lewis.

In the Theater Imperialia, wallet containing 40 dollars, photos, passes, important papers. Charles Tobias, Buxton wallet, containing 11 dollars, GI and Italian money, postal money order receipts made out to a Chicago address. Pvt. George R. Tracy.

Wallet containing AG forms 65-1. Officer's leave record, pay data card, other papers. Capt. William P. Rhoda.

Brown zipper wallet, ration card, receipts, photos and money. T-5 Du D'Aldo.

Billfold, small amount of money. AGO card, driver's license, other cards. 1st Lt. LaMar C. Rhodes.

Light tan, zipper type, containing 50 dollars. Pfc. Cardwell B. Zeller.

Carl R. Aschan may have his lost wallet by writing T-5 Ben McKay. McKay's address from Lost and Found, upon inquiry.

ARTICLES LOST

Red Cross bag, containing souvenirs left in a major's jeep Sunday evening. Pfc. Arley J. Baanna.

Identification bracelet. "To Charlie from Dot." Pvt. Charles Portnoy.

Field jacket, left by American-Japanese soldier in a jeep leaving Rome. Valuable contents in pockets. Please return to Lost and Found.

Sgt. George Hagiwara.

Purple Heart ribbon, with an Oak Leaf cluster. Pfc. Ralph H. Williams.

Gold identification bracelet. "Edward D. Neheiser."

Agfa 35 mm. camera with inscription, "Cody, 35151915" on inside.

Sgt. D. K. Cody.

Baby Brownie, 127 film and prints, left in a jeep. Capt. Maxwell Spring.

Bed roll containing photos of a bride and groom. Pvt. Wallace R. McNeil.

Three naval suitcases, name on baggage. Lt. Llane, USN.

Gail Patrick Weds

HOLLYWOOD, July 12—Movie actress Gail Patrick will be married tomorrow in Jacksonville, Fla., to Naval Lt. Arnold Dean White, Circleville, Ohio, she said here today. Miss Patrick divorced Bob White, Hollywood cafe owner in 1940.

UP FRONT

... By MAULDIN



"This is Fragrant Flower Advance. Gimme yer goddam number."

Roosevelt Lights Up, Then Breaks News

NEW YORK, July 12—President Roosevelt's announcement that he will accept a fourth term nomination if it is tendered him took the home front entirely by surprise yesterday.

At his press conference yesterday, the President said:

"Reluctantly but as a good soldier, I will accept and serve in this office if I am so ordered."

DAYTON, Ohio, July 12 — Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, stopping here en route to Yellow Springs to speak at Antioch College's peace institute, said today her husband's decision to accept a fourth term was all news to her. The first she knew of it, she said, was when reporters approached her during luncheon at Wright Field. "The President does not discuss these things with me," she said.

by the commander in chief of us all—the sovereign people of the United States.

"After many years of public service," the President asserted, "my personal thoughts have turned to the day when I could return to civil life. All that is within me cries out to go back to my home on the Hudson River, to avoid public responsibilities and to avoid also the publicity which in our democracy follows every step of the nation's chief executive."

The Associated Press said that Mr. Roosevelt's hands trembled with nervous emotion and he stopped once to light a cigarette and compose himself as he told the news conference that he would accept the fourth term.

READS LETTER

He began to read the letter from Democratic Chairman Hannegan. When he reached the part of the letter saying that there would be a "clear majority" of votes to nominate him, he put down the paper and said that he would have a cigarette.

Then he finished reading the Hannegan letter and his own answer, explaining that he had dictated it the night before and it was rather hurried. As he read, his normally well-paced and clear voice hit such speed and dropped so low that a reporter asked him to speak louder.

In his letter to Mr. Hannegan, Democratic chairman who will represent the President's interests at the convention, Mr. Roosevelt made no reference to and threw no light on whether he wanted Vice President Henry A. Wallace on the ticket with him again.

Typical comment of both Democrats and Republicans was: "I knew he was going to run, but thought he would wait until

the convention drafted him." In Albany, Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, Republican candidate for the presidency, had "no comment" to make when he received the news.

NEWS OF DE GAULLE

The press conference brought forth another vital announcement by President Roosevelt—that he would accept the French National Committee headed by General Charles de Gaulle as civil authority for liberated France.

General de Gaulle, believed still in New York before departing for Canada, was not available for comment yesterday.

The first comment received on the presidential declaration to accept the fourth term was from Wendell Willkie, unsuccessful GOP candidate for president against Roosevelt in 1940. Said Mr. Willkie:

"Is that news?"

Mayor Fiorello H. La Guardia of New York said:

"I am very happy to hear it, but frankly I can't pretend to be surprised, and that goes for the nomination too."

PUPTENT POETS

Make Believe

Let's just pretend we're back in summertime,
Let's make-believe there never was a war,
And life is just the way it was before
I left you there. We'll steal away and climb
To Carlson's Hill, and watch the little town
That nestles at its base; and from our perch
On high, we'll see the houses and the church,
And little children racing up and down.
But now all pretense fails; the vision dies.
And all our yesterdays are pages torn
From Books of Life, dog-eared, bent and worn.
They served us well . . . I bow to their demise.
—Pfc. Maynard Johnson

Italian Evening

The stillness of the evening hour is broken
By strident horns of many a bustling jeep
And the tolling, banging clanging, jangling
Of the old Campanian bells.
The stars peep
Down like a thousand eyes of Heaven
Squinting to see what all the noise can be
Wondering, perhaps, if shackled men are free.
—Capt. Frederick Brundle

All phone exchanges have odd names
New Nutmeg Variety
Grasshopper Underwear
Tolly-Ho

Rep. Luce Sees Dewey Elected

ALBANY, N. Y., July 12—Rep. Clare Boothe Luce (R., Conn.), after conferring with Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, said yesterday that the Republican nominee was "the inevitable man for the USA." Mrs. Luce was one of six Connecticut Republican members of Congress who had luncheon with Dewey in the executive mansion.

Topics of discussion included postwar opportunity, more continuous employment, trade with other nations, development of a strong domestic economy and taxation for both individual and business levels.

THE RIGHT THING

Mrs. Luce, a supporter of Wendell L. Willkie in 1940, said that Mr. Willkie was not discussed during the meeting. Asked what she thought he would do, she replied: "I don't know because I haven't talked to him for some time. I think he will do the right thing. I think he will support the Republican party."

Asked if international affairs were discussed, Mrs. Luce said: "Everyone seems to feel there's a vast area of agreement in the party and in the United States that America must and wants to join an international organization which will keep the peace with other nations, to use Dewey's words 'by force if necessary.'"

Earlier Gov. Dewey announced he would join 25 other GOP governors in St. Louis on Aug. 2 and 3 for a conference on "the area of responsibility and obligation as between the states and the Federal government."

NEW YORK, July 12—Wendell L. Willkie yesterday declined to express an opinion on the outcome of the election.

Dems Plan Peace Plank

WASHINGTON, July 12—John M. McCormack, chairman of the Democratic platform committee, said yesterday that he expects full agreement in Chicago next week on a plank calling for "sound international action to prevent war and assure permanent peace."

Rep. McCormack, House majority leader, aimed a verbal rocket at the Republican declaration of policy: "This is no time to compromise with the future peace of the world as the Republican platform did. That platform is negative on one of the living issues of today — permanent peace, which is in the mind of everyone, particularly those with loved ones in the armed services."

Sen. Claude Pepper (D., Fla.), member of the platform committee, declared, "there'll be no hedging or equivocation" over foreign affairs by the Democratic platform.

Loan Law Cost 3,900 Dollars

MASON, Mich., July 12—Testifying as state's witness in the graft and conspiracy trial of present and former Michigan legislators, Charles Hemans admitted yesterday he paid 3,900 dollars out of a fund raised by loan companies to 18 members of the 1939 legislature in exchange for their votes, United Press reported.

Hemans, self-styled "pay-off man," in the alleged conspiracy which the state charged enabled installment finance companies to obtain favorable legislation, said the cost of votes ranged from 100 dollars to 700 dollars.

He Likes Her

HOLLYWOOD, July 12—Lt. Rudy Vallee of the Coast Guard said today he did not want a divorce from starlet Bette Jane Greer. He asked Superior Court to refuse her request for a divorce, denying her charges he had inflicted "grievous mental suffering." The Vallees were separated once before, then reunited. Later she filed for divorce.

Bakes To Death In Auto 'Oven'

KINGMAN, Ariz., July 12—Capt. Howard Brady, 37, Kingman Army Air Field supply officer, literally baked to death because he failed to realize that 130-degree heat was converting his auto into a mobile oven as he drove along a lonely desert trail, medical officers declared yesterday.

Doctors said the 180-pound officer had lost 60 pounds during the four hours he spent on the desert. The intense heat apparently evaporated the moisture of his body as he drove through the desert without his being aware of it until he was thoroughly dehydrated and lost consciousness.

Sedition Trial Still Tangled

WASHINGTON, July 12—Robert Noble, sedition trial defendant who told Judge Edward C. Eicher that he would not "change attorneys in mid-stream," yesterday got a new lawyer—his third in less than a week.

Noble lost the services of James J. Laughlin when that attorney was dismissed from the trial by Judge Eicher. Despite Noble's "midstream" protests, the judge turned over his defense "temporarily" to Justin Latimer, attorney for defendants James True and George Deatherage. Two days later the court learned that this arrangement was "unsatisfactory" not only to Noble but to Latimer, True and Deatherage as well.

Yesterday Judge Eicher brought back Marvin E. Bischoff, former court-appointed lawyer for Elmer J. Garner, Wichita, Kan., publisher, who died in the third week of the trial. Bischoff sat down with Noble yesterday to represent him until the defendant himself selects a counsel.

The court still has not disposed of the problem posed by Henry S. Klein, AWOL attorney for defendant Eugene Nelson Sanctuary. Although Sanctuary and E. B. Frey, defense attorney designated to represent him in Klein's absence, indicated their dissatisfaction, Judge Eicher said "the status quo" must be maintained a few days longer.

Youth Files Suit Against Sheriff

DETROIT, July 12—Richard Vincent, 23, who confessed to and was tried for a murder he did not commit, has filed a suit for 50,000 dollars against Sheriff Andrew Baird, seven Wayne County, Mich., detectives and the sheriff's secretary.

The suit charged the defendants with false imprisonment, malicious prosecution, assault, battery, negligence, libel, slander and breach of bond.

The youth, who later repudiated his confession, had been accused of killing Joyce Rauson and had been on trial three weeks when Robert Turner, 19, admitted the crime. Vincent said he confessed because detectives threatened him.

Helen Hayes Raps Ham Fish

NEWBURGH, N. Y., July 12—Helen Hayes MacArthur, stage and screen actress, speaking at a Republican political rally in behalf of Augustus M. Bennett, candidate for nomination to Congress from the 29th District, called Rep. Hamilton Fish, Bennett's opponent, a "cat's-got-your-tongue congressman."

Making what she termed her first political speech, the actress charged Rep. Fish has "boasted" he had kept the country out of the war for six months by his votes against defense measures.

"The cat's got your tongue, congressman, about what might have happened in this sick world had we been fully armed," said Miss Hayes. "You can ask the Marines on Wake Island or the boys on Bataan, but their voices are muted behind Japanese barbed wire."

NL All-Stars Win, 7-1

TITLE THREAT



LIKE OLD WINE: Cpl. Armand Fabrique, French Army, improves with age. The 36-year-old veteran of numerous track campaigns holds the low hurdle championship of Tunis, Algiers and Morocco in civilian life. He won the North Africa zone elimination and has turned in some fast workouts at the stadium.

On Your Mark... Get Set

By Pvt. JOHN LAWLER
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

ROME, July 12—Yeoman 3-c Richard Brothers, Shelburne, Mich., a miller from the Navy contingent which won a spot on Sicily's club, tested his sea legs at Mussolini Stadium yesterday and turned in a good performance over the route. The sailor was clocked in 4:30 in the Island finals, but looks capable of beating that time after a little training.

Among the runners from the eastern section of the peninsula is Capt. Frank Rowland, of the Royal Artillery. Back home in Yorkshire, England, the captain holds the Northern Counties' championship for the 220-low hurdles. He is a graduate of the University of Sheffield and ran for the school's track team. Capt. Rowland won the low hurdle event in Zone 3 eliminations and will attempt to do the trick again over the weekend.

Mohammed Ben al Haedj and Adacou Ben Larbi, Arabs who will run the six mile cross-country for Corsica-Sardinia, traveled the distance yesterday and at the finish line appeared practically as fresh as when the starter got them off. To puzzled spectators the duo managed to get across the point that the route was nothing to what they have done back in Morocco.

Pvt. Vincent Ring, Richmond Hill, L. I., ran as lead-off man for the mile relay team at St. John's in Brooklyn when the unit received national track recognition, with hold down the same post for Lt. Al Bush's Corsican entry. Coach Bush, a former Pitts-

burgh University track and baseball star, rates his relay team pretty highly and says other zones will be forced to travel at a rapid getaway to nose the club out.

An American Indian turned up with the Corsica club and will try to snare the 200-meter dash. He is Pvt. Ted Mahato, Cass Lake, Mich. A little fellow, Mahato uncorked a burst of speed in a trial run which may land him among the winning trio over the weekend.

Sgt. John Lawson, Macon, Ga., and Pfc. William Varnardo, Champagne, Ill., 5th Army shot putters, looked good.

Minor League Standings

INTERNATIONAL			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Montreal	42	34	.553
Jersey City	43	35	.551
Baltimore	40	34	.541
Buffalo	41	36	.532
Toronto	37	42	.468
Rochester	37	42	.468
Newark	36	42	.462
Syracuse	31	42	.425
PACIFIC COAST			
	W.	L.	Pct.
San Francisco	49	44	.527
Seattle	48	45	.516
Los Angeles	48	45	.516
Oakland	47	45	.511
San Diego	49	47	.510
Portland	45	48	.484
Hollywood	45	50	.474
Sacramento	42	49	.462

Bosox Ace Duck Soup For Victors

PITTSBURGH, July 12—National League bats were too hot at Forbes Field last night and the senior circuit's All-Stars triumphed over the American League satellites, 7-1. A crowd of 29,589 witnessed the classic and swelled the Ball and Bat Fund considerably as receipts will go toward the purchase of athletic equipment for the armed forces. The victory was the fourth in a series of 12 for the National League.

Tex Hughson, Red Sox ace and leading American League twirler, was reached for four runs in the fifth frame, which were as many runs as the National circuit have ever scored in any one game since the "dream game" was inaugurated back in 1933.

Big Tex was moving along with a one-run lead when the trouble started. Connie Ryan, Braves' second sacker, opened the fifth with a single and stole second as Marty Marion of the Cards fanned. Manager Billy Southworth then sent Bill Nicholson, Cubs, in to pinch hit for pitcher Ken Raffensberger. Nicholson doubled down the right field foul line to score Ryan with the tying run.

JUMPS WITH JOY

The Cub star jumped up and clapped his hands in high glee like a kid seeing his first circus while the roar of the crowd nearly caused the University of Pittsburgh nearby to totter on its foundation. When the commotion subsided, Hughson couldn't find the plate. He walked Phil Cavaretta, and a moment later the bases were crammed when first baseman George McQuinn dropped Bobby Doerr's throw of Stan Musial's grounder.

Walker Cooper hit safely sending in one run but Cavaretta was out at the plate on a perfect throw from Bob Johnson, Red Sox. Dixie Walker then singled to tally Musial. That ended Hughson's work for the night and Bob Muncief came in to put the fire out.

The rally was more than enough for the National Leaguers as the junior loop couldn't do a thing with Rip Sewell or "No-hit" Jim Tobin, third and fourth hurlers for the winners. They didn't get a bingle off the Ripper's "euphus" ball.

Bucky Walters, starting National League pitcher, allowed five of the six hits the losers made in the first three innings. He gave up two in the first, two in the second when the sole American League marker was registered, and one in the third. The final hit was made off Southpaw Ken Raffensberger, who relieved Walters in the fourth.

ROUGH FIFTH

Hank Borowy started for the losers and worked at a good pace for three frames. Then came Hughson who got by the fourth only to run into the fifth-inning lambasting. For good measure, the winners piled up three more runs to score their most one-sided victory of the All-Star series.

Hal Newhouser, Detroit, was slapped for two runs in the seventh and the winners scored an unearned tally in the eighth. Neat throws by American League fielders, Johnson and Spence, who aided in keeping the scores down.

Lid Off Now On Night Games

NEW YORK, July 12—Major league club owners may schedule as many night games as they wish for the remainder of the season, Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis ruled today. The decision was reached following a joint session of club owners from both circuits at which baseball's high commissioner presided.

Requirements governing the ruling include the consent of visiting teams and the exclusion of night ball on Sundays and holidays. The Washington Sen-

ators are the only club playing all home weekday games under the lights.

No club owner would say when and to what extent they would take advantage of the new ruling except Sam Breadon, Cardinal boss. He intimated the Red Birds would play their remaining weekday contests at night. The Browns are expected to add a half dozen games to the arc-light schedule.

The major leagues' 25-year pact, under which Landis has ruled baseball since the dis-

closure of gambling and bribes in the 1919 World Series, expires Jan. 12, 1946, and the leagues decided that each circuit would name a committee to consider a new agreement and report at the major league meetings in December.

Asked if he contemplated resigning, Judge Landis said: "You'll have to ask Leslie O'Connor about that. He makes all my announcements." O'Connor, the Commissioner's secretary since he took the baseball job, declined to comment.

U. S. Writing French Note

WASHINGTON, July 12—The U. S. will proceed at once to negotiate a memorandum with the French Committee of National Liberation for the restoration of civil administration in liberated areas of France, it was indicated yesterday following President Roosevelt's announcement of the decision to recognize the committee as the de facto authority there.

The proposed agreement drawn up by the French and British will be used as a basis of the memorandum, it was reported by the United Press.

President Roosevelt's announcement came 24 hours after General Charles de Gaulle left Washington for New York and Montreal. The talks were known to have been successful, but nothing so specific as the acceptance of the committee had been expected.

Asked whether there were any Franco-American differences left Mr. Roosevelt said that the answer was "yes" if the questioner put no time limit on the question, adding that all problems involving the campaign for the liberation of France have been solved for the present.

He indicated that the controversy over the issuance of currency to Allied troops also was settled to the satisfaction of General de Gaulle.

Hartford Begins Liability Inquest

HARTFORD, Conn., July 12—Coroner Frank E. Healy began an inquest today to determine whether there was criminal liability in last Thursday's circus fire which claimed 160 lives. Thirty-five witnesses were called for the first day, and the inquest was expected to last for several weeks.

Five officials of Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey have been charged with technical manslaughter, and John Doe warrants for several others have been drawn up but not served.

Litter Bearers

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ed King carry the seventh man off. Luckily not a litter bearer was hit.

On the same day another litter bearer, Pvt. John Ederling, Poplar, Mont., carried a man out from under heavy fire with the aid of a rifleman. In Ederling's sector two entire companies had at that time been pinned down by enemy fire.

Capt. Bernard Korostoff, Brooklyn, who has probably seen more action with the division than almost any other battalion surgeon in this theater, expressed great admiration for the work of litter bearers. "It's grueling work hauling a man a couple of miles through heavy fire."

Capt. Korostoff recalled a time at Anzio when litter bearers ran into a different kind of danger. A wounded man was being carried by a squad which included Pfc. Marinus Molt, Albany, N. Y., who lived many years in Holland.

Molt loves to talk and does so at the slightest opportunity. Challenged by a sentry, Molt called out cheerfully, "Ach, dot's all right, dis is de medics." The others held their breath as the heavy German accent dissolved into the black night. Fortunately the guard knew Molt and so didn't shoot. Since then, Molt hasn't been persuaded to say a word when near the front lines.

Troops Warned On Vehicle Use

ROME, July 12—The following order was issued today for Maj. Gen. Harry H. Johnson, Rome Area commander:

"Permission to use government vehicles to transport civilians for organized recreation does not include individual riding around the city of Rome independently. This practice, particularly with regard to the transportation of civilian women, has resulted in a considerable amount of unfavorable publicity. Future violations will result in the impounding of the vehicle and the dismounting of all passengers and the driver on the spot."

"Curfew in Rome is 2300 for all troops, including officers. All vehicles moving on the streets of Rome after curfew without proper authority will be impounded and all passengers including the driver dismounted on the spot."

Rebels Hold President

BOGOTA, Columbia, July 12—The political revolt in Colombia is "under control," an official Colombian war department communique announced yesterday, and the rebel leader, Lt. Col. Diogenes Gil, "has fled." The revolutionaries, however, still hold President Alfonso Lopez and some cabinet members. It was reported, having removed them to a mountain town as hostages.

The communique said minor disturbances in Santander state have been quelled, but the situation in Tolima state remains confused. Loyal troops entered the town of Pasto in southern Colombia, according to the report, and Col. Gil fled this seat of the revolt, taking President Lopez and others along with him.

Vice President Darío Echandía continued to act in Bogota for President Lopez and promised that the full powers of the government would be used to restore order.

Sub Lost

WASHINGTON, July 12—The 20-year-old submarine S-28 has been lost during training exercises in the Pacific, the U. S. Navy announced today. The craft carried about 60 officers and men, under Lt. Cmdr. Jack C. Campbell, Chicago. There were no survivors. Loss of the S-28 brought to 25 the number of U. S. submarines lost since the war started, the Navy reported.

Soviet Guns

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great encirclement battles of the war" and delved back into history to compare it to the battle of Cannae where Hannibal destroyed a Roman army.

West of Baranovichi along the route leading to East Prussia and central Poland, Russian armies under Marshal Rokossovsky and General Zakharov smashed ahead on a front 70 miles wide and were reported to have reached a point about 50 miles from the borders of East Prussia.

Moscow radio said the Germans had begun removing valuables from Warsaw and already have evacuated German families from the Polish cities of Lublin and Lodz. The broadcast said industry in the Warsaw region had "almost completely died." In the Brest-Litovsk region,

Flashes From France

A "TOP MILITARY SECRET" was disclosed in London yesterday concerning special Allied regiments including French air units which have been operating well behind the German lines in Normandy. These units are dropped by parachute and operate not as saboteurs but as normal military formations with communications. Their high degree of organization is indicated by the fact they have taken prisoners and are in a position to hold them pending the prisoners' transfer to Britain.

DURING THE FIRST 30 DAYS of the campaign in France, from June 6 to July 6, Allied plane losses totaled 1,234 while German losses were 1,067 planes. Allied planes based in Britain and France flew more than 158,000 sorties and dropped approximately 160,000 tons of bombs.

IN ONE OF THE MOST DECISIVE plane versus tank battles of the present campaign, American Thunderbolts Tuesday blasted German armored columns moving toward the St. Lo-Carentan

Planes Lash Kurile Isles

PEARL HARBOR, July 12—U. S. planes, renewing their assaults on Nip bases in the Pacific, have bombed Paramushiro and Shumushu, two of the northern most islands in the chain northeast of the Japanese homeland, Admiral Chester W. Nimitz announced yesterday.

Liberators smashed at Truk again, the admiral said, while dive bombers continued their neutralizing raids against remaining enemy positions in the Marshalls.

The Pacific commander in chief said that on recently-captured Saipan, key island in the Marianas, U. S. troops were mopping up pockets of Jap resistance. Many of the enemy, driven into the sea last Saturday, were found in hulks of ships wrecked off shore while others, found swimming in the sea, were captured.

VFW Expects Better 'Break'

WASHINGTON, July 12—Omar B. Ketchum, national legislative representative of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, said today that he expected improvements soon in the treatment of service men returning from fighting abroad, following repulses of the War and Navy Departments to an VFW protest over alleged discriminations against overseas veterans on their return to the United States.

Mr. Ketchum, who served two years in World War I, said: "What's been happening is that some junior officers have been too rough on these men. One marine with 24 months combat service, invalided back home, tells how his outfit as soon as it hit camp here, before they'd done anything, were lined up by a first lieutenant and told that, 'we're going to knock cockiness out of you.'"

"They're given dirty details. Treatment like that makes men surly, makes them think their country does not appreciate them."

front. The P-47s left 28 out of 50 German tanks destroyed or damaged while the rest made off in confusion.

UNDERGROUND REPORTS reaching London indicate that the Nazi-controlled railway system is in a bad way. It took one man 68 hours to go from Paris to Berlin by express. Average time is about eight hours.

STOCKHOLM HAS REPORTED the cancellation of an order for hundreds of thousands of granite blocks by a German firm. These blocks were to be used in constructing a 1,000-foot high victory monument in Berlin in commemoration of the total defeat of the Allies. The monument had been designed by an architect named Adolf Hitler.

SECRETARY OF WAR Henry L. Stimson arrived in England yesterday from Italy. During his stay, Mr. Stimson will visit military installations and army hospitals.

THE SOVIET ARMY PAPER, Red Star, editorialized yesterday on the operational importance of the fall of Caen. Red Star views the German right flank as "hanging in the air" and the situation "fraught with serious consequences" for the enemy. It points out that not only does Caen have a harbor suitable for ships of medium tonnage but from there the Allies can strike out in all directions.

2 Senators

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Langley of Washington was assured of victory over Louis Wasmers, Spokane radio station owner. Sen. Mon C. Wallgren was unopposed for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination and Lt. Gov. Victoria Meyers won renomination.

In the Democratic race for nomination to the Senate seat of Homer T. Bone recently named to the Federal bench, Rep. Warren G. Magnuson had 26,301 votes from 690 precincts to lead the race. Maj. Harry Cain, Tacoma's mayor on leave with the Army, led the field of 11 for the Republican nomination.

Hugh Delacy was far ahead for the Democratic nomination for Magnuson's House seat while Robert T. Harlin led the Republican aspirants.

In Michigan's only state-wide contests, Vernon J. Brown, state auditor-general, defeated the incumbent, Eugene C. Keyes, for the Republican nomination for lieutenant governor and Edward J. Fry took a commanding lead for the Democratic gubernatorial endorsement to oppose GOP Gov. Harry F. Kelly, who was unopposed in his party primary.

Record Wheat Crop Forecast

WASHINGTON, July 12—Government food officials who have been harried for months by the specter of a critical livestock feed and grain shortage were happier today when the Agricultural Department crop report indicated that given favorable weather during the next six weeks, the nation will have sufficient food to carry it through until 1945.

A record wheat crop and a very large corn crop were forecast. Fairly good crops were predicted for livestock grains such as oats and barley, and a near-record hay crop was expected.

Nazis Lose 200,000

LONDON, July 12—Approximately 200,000 German prisoners have been taken on the French, Italian and Russian fronts since the Allies launched the Italian offensive on May 11, BBC said today. The drive in Italy has netted 35,000, the Normandy battles 54,000 and the Russians have taken 110,000 in their latest onslaught, it was revealed.

Through noon Tuesday 35 German generals had been killed or captured on the three fronts, BBC said.

The strength of German forces is now estimated to total from 305 to 320 divisions, according to BBC. From 180 to 185 divisions are believed fighting on the Russian front, from 60 to 65 divisions are facing the Allies in France and the Low Countries, and about 50 are said to have been tied down in Italy, Hungary and the Balkans. This leaves from 15 to 20 estimated to be held in reserve in Denmark, Norway and Germany itself.

Heavy Shell Output Rises

WASHINGTON, July 12—Future Allied offensives will place even greater emphasis on heavy artillery.

The War Department disclosed yesterday that the Army is increasing production of big shells by several hundred percent as a result of experiences gained in combat.

The department said that contracts for 155 mm. eight-inch and 240 mm. shells have been placed with 60 metal manufacturing concerns whose facilities are being expanded under a 100,000,000-dollar program. So urgent is the program that the War Production Board has granted the highest priority for equipment and material for expansion.

The program is in line with the Army theory that the greater the weight of ammunition, the greater the saving in lives.

The department revealed that during one month of battle to crack the Cassino Line, the 5th Army used 64,750,000 pounds—several shiploads—of big shells.

Allies Gain

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Allied positions here are undetermined.

An advance early this morning by British 2nd Army troops near Colombelles northeast of Caen was nullified later by a German counterattack.

In Lt. Gen. Omar N. Bradley's sector, American troops were within sight of the strategic road center of St. Lo tonight.

The Americans converged closer to the town after the Germans last night generated a desperate counterattack into which they threw in one of their most famous tank divisions. Known as the Lehr, it's been used for demonstration and exhibition purposes.

The Germans succeeded in infiltrating some 15 tanks through the American lines under cover of darkness, but doughboys with bazooka guns and low flying dive bombers met the attack, knocked out seven tanks and probably destroyed several others.

As the Americans closed in on Lessay south of La Haye and Periers, midway between Lessay and St. Lo, the resistance grows fiercer. It was learned today that Rommel is risking his prized paratroopers in the battle against the American forces.

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